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For (Title): PARKING ASSIST APPARATUS AND PARKING ASSIST METHOD FOR VEHICLEBy (Inventors): Hideyuki IWAKIRI, Hisashi SATONAKA, Yuichi KUBOTA, Tomohiko ENDO, Akira MATSUI, Toru SUGIYAMA, Seiji KAWAKAMI, Katsuhiko IWAZAKI, Hiroaki KATAOKA, Yuu TANAKA, Yoshifumi IWATA

Formal drawings (Figs. 1-10B; 10 sheets) are attached.  
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A Declaration and Power of Attorney is filed herewith.

This application claims benefit of Provisional Application No. \_\_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_\_.  
 (A Preliminary Amendment is attached to reflect this claim in the Specification if not already present.)

This patent application is assigned to TOYOTA JIDOSHA KABUSHIKI KAISHA & AISIN SEIKI KABUSHIKI KAISHA.  
 The executed Assignment is filed herewith.

An Information Disclosure Statement is filed herewith.

Entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted.

A Preliminary Amendment is filed herewith.

Priority of foreign application No. 2003-088651 filed March 27, 2003 in Japan is claimed (35 U.S.C. §119).  
 A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is filed herewith.

This application is NOT to be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b). The undersigned attorney or agent hereby certifies that the invention disclosed in this application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing.

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